



2006

Idaho Wildland Fire Conference

*Building Partnerships
for Safer Communities*

Hotel Reservations

Holiday Inn, Boise, Idaho (208)343-4900

To get our special group rate, please mention you are with the Idaho Wildfire Conference and give our group code of "2IWC". The rate is \$73.00 per night *if reserved by September 4th.*

Our Tradeshow is for contractors, consultants or other businesses with services or products related to fuels reduction, public education, community wildfire protection planning, GIS, etc.

For more information, please visit our website at idahofireplan.org or contact Jon Skinner at (208) 373-3854.

Holiday Inn - Boise Airport
September 26 and 27

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It has been five years since the National Fire Plan brought new direction and funding to assess and treat communities at risk from wildfire. Idaho has completed wildfire protection plans in every county, reduced hazardous fuels, and educated the public on FireWise development in the Wildland-Urban Interface. This conference brings together the people involved in making this happen to share and learn from each other's experiences and chart our course for the future. Invited participants are firefighters, community leaders, elected officials, conservation associations, homeowners, contractors, and all agencies who have a vested interest in wildfire protection. We look forward to seeing you in Boise and check out our tradeshow while you are here!

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

7:30-8:30	Registration and Check-in
8:30-9:00	Welcome - Idaho State Forester
9:00-9:30	Idaho Governor* - Jim Risch
9:30-10:00	National Perspective - Dave Tenny, Deputy Under-Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment, USDA
10:15-11:15	History of the National Fire Plan Where We've Been, Lessons Learned & What the future may hold as budgets tighten. Larry Hamilton, retired Director of Fire and Aviation at the National Interagency Fire Center
11:15-12:00	The Role of the Idaho State Fire Plan Working Group - Presentation from Member Agencies with Panel Discussion
12:00-1:30	Lunch - provided in Tradeshow Room
1:30-2:45	County Wildland Fire Interagency Groups Perspectives from around the state: Julie Thomas (Mid-Snake RC& D) Jeff Legg (Shoshone County) Janet Taylor-Nelson (Lemhi County) Richard Wolfe (Bannock County) Nelle Coler (Panhandle Area Council)
3:00-4:00	Public Education & Working with Homeowners - What Can We Learn from Other States? (Nevada Example) Ed Smith, University of Nevada-Reno Cooperative Extension
4:15-5:00	Working with Insurance Companies to Reduce Wildland Fire Risk - Northwest Insurance Council, All State and State Farm
5:30-6:30	Reception in Trade Show Room
6:30-7:30	Dinner & Awards Banquet - Don't miss it! We will be giving out awards to groups and individuals from around the state.

*invited guest

Wednesday, September 27, 2006

8:00-8:15	Introduction and Review Agenda
8:15-8:45	Dirk Kempthorne* - Secretary of Interior
8:45-10:00	Breakout Sessions 1.) Fire Risk Reduction on Private Ground Innovative Strategies around Idaho for Working with Communities and Homeowners. 2.) Grant Opportunities in Idaho - When and How to Apply Target Group: County Wildland Fire Interagency Groups & Fire Departments 3.) FireWise Program Update Jim Smalley, National Fire Protection Association
10:30-12:00	Landscape Level Fuels Reduction Effective Strategies for Reducing the Risk of Wildfire in Idaho's Rangelands and Forests Mike Pellant, Great Basin Restoration Initiative Coordinator & Russ Graham, Rocky Mountain Research Station, Moscow, Idaho.
12:00-1:00	Lunch - provided in Tradeshow Room
1:00-2:30	Breakout Sessions 1.) Biomass - Balancing Effective Utilization with Forest Health Larry Mason, University of Washington & Chris Schnepf, University of Idaho 2.) Inspecting Fire Prone Property Marc Mullenix, Colorado 3.) Idaho Intrastate Mutual Aid System Project & IFCA Update Doug Brown, IFCA
2:45-3:45	Wildland Interface Codes and Ordinances What it takes to adopt them and do they work? Case Studies: Kootenai and Bannock Counties
3:45-4:30	Conference Summary - Where Do We Go from Here?